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"IDLE TONGUES"

A Photoplay in 6 reels

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Doctor Ephraim Nye-----Percy Marmont  
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Judge Daniel Webster Copeland-----Claude Gillingwater  
Faith Copeland-----Lucille Ricksen  
Cyrenus Stone-----David Torrence  
Tom Stone-----Malcolm MacGregor  
Althea Bemis-----Vivia Ogden  
Fanny Copeland-----Marguerite Clayton  
Miss Pepper-----Ruby Lafayette  
Henry Ward Beecher Payson-----Dan Mason  
Bluey Batchelder-----Mark Hamilton

SYNOPSIS (Not for Publication)

Gentle Doctor Nye returns to the village of Ostable after spending five years in jail for theft of church funds.

Daniel Copeland, brother of the doctor's dead wife Fanny, is the instigator of a movement to install a municipal water system in Ostable. Against this movement is Cyrenus Stone, arch enemy of Daniel.

The townspeople together with Copeland and his daughter Faith, are against the returned "jailbird" and Althea Bemish, a vinegary old maid keeps alive this feeling by her malicious gossip.

Katherine Minot and Doctor Nye have loved each other for years, but only the doctor knows that Fanny Copeland had deliberately separated them years before by lies, in order to marry him herself.

In a Portugese Settlement close to Hallett's Pond, typhoid fever breaks out and Dr. Nye believes the water in the pond to be responsible for it. Cyrenus Stone overhears him tell Katherine this, and proceeds to spread the news, accusing Copeland of wanting to poison the village.

Dr. Nye admits to the crowd that he has no proof of his suspicions and they threaten to tar and feather him. New cases break out and the doctor fights desperately to save them.

Meanwhile Tom and Faith quarrel and Faith is nearly killed in an automobile wreck in front of the doctor's house. Katherine nurses her. Stone receives the report of the bacteriologist saying that the pond is contaminated thereby confirming the doctor's suspicions.

In order to get Copeland's consent to the marriage of Tom and Faith, Dr. Nye takes him Fanny's deathbed confession admitting that she stole the church funds in order to pay for some pearls she had stolen and to avoid going to jail. She had begged the doctor to save her and he had accepted her guilt and gone to jail. She also confesses to having lied to Katherine in order to separate them.

Copeland consents to Faith's marriage with Tom and sends for Katherine, confiding to her the whole story and acknowledging his part in the conviction of Nye. Katherine, knowing that Nye will not ask her to marry him because of his prison record, sends Henry to spread the news of their engagement, which he does through the medium of Miss Althea the gossip. Nye, recognizing that he has won Katherine in spite of himself, gathers her into his arms as the villagers congregate to hear Althea's news.

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